

# Perspective on Manufacturing the L Prize<sup>®</sup> Award Winning LED Bulb



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# L Prize® Winning LED Lamp Production

- Production of L Prize® Winning LED Lamp started Q1
- Assembled in USA - Philips strategic EMS partner in Wisconsin
- Production rates to support at least 250k lamps/year

# L Prize<sup>®</sup> Winning LED Lamp: Perspective on Manufacturing

- Comparison to traditional glass lamp production methods
- Comparison to traditional electronic product assembly & test methods

# Manufacturing Comparison:

## L Prize® Winning LED Lamp vs Glass Lamps

- **Traditional Glass Lamps:**

- After many decades of production, traditional glass lamp production is highly refined and automated.
- Process & Equipment are designed specifically to convert raw materials into a finished lamp
- Testing is essentially a Functional light-up of the lamp

- **L Prize® Winning LED Lamp:**

- This LED lamp combines state of the art designs & electronic components that are assembled into a new product that essentially replaces a single electrical resistor
- PCB assembly processes use generic Process & Equipment, while LED lamp-specific assembly Process & Equipment are put into cells that are adaptable to future design improvements
- Testing includes:
  - ICT of driver PCBA,
  - burn-in of the completed LED lamp, and
  - measurements of the light quality of the completed LED lamp

# Manufacturing Comparison: L Prize® Winning LED Lamp vs Electronics Assembly

- **Traditional Electronics Assembly:**

- Decades of development of SMT & PTH production processes & components
- Final assembly of PCBAs into metal/plastic housings
- Product Testing is measuring electrical parameters related to product function (ICT/FCT)
- PCBA repairs are well defined within electronics industry

- **L Prize® Winning LED Lamp:**

- LED driver PCBA uses traditional SMD & PTH power components in a high density design
- The L2 PCBA solders evolving LED components onto non-traditional PCB substrates
- Final assembly for LED lamp includes soldering an Edison base (circa 1909)
- Product Testing LED lamps is based on light quality measurements.
  - Uses different testing parameters such as CRI, lumens, color temperature, efficacy, etc.
- Repairs of individual LEDs not yet defined by industry

# L Prize<sup>®</sup> Winning LED Lamp – Key Processes

- PCB Assembly (PTH & SMT):
  - Design Rules & DFM guidelines are essential for lowest mfg cost
- LED Binning
  - Defined by Design Engineering
  - Executed by Planning & Manufacturing
- Mechanical Assembly
  - Special Tools and Fixtures required
- Burn-In
- Light Quality Testing
  - Defined by Product Management & Design Engineering
  - Executed by product-specific Test equipment
- Packing

# Experience the L Prize® Award Winning LED Bulb

High Quality Light With More Lumens, Longer Life, and Less Energy

- Be a sustainable lighting leader and be the first to use the most efficient 60W replacement LED lamp.
- Available February 2012
- Assembled in USA



